

STAGE FIGHT IN ALVORD CAFE

First National Bank Moves to New Quarters

YOUNG MAN KILLED HUNTING

OFFICERS PLACE TWO MEN IN JAIL

Would - Be Desperadoes
Had Cheap Whisky
Under Belts

F. L. U. TO HOLD MEET SATURDAY

Committees of the county Farm Labor Union are preparing for a big county-wide open meeting and entertainment to be held in the district court room in Decatur on Saturday (tomorrow) night, beginning at eight o'clock. The meeting is not for the benefit of the union membership alone, but is open to all the public and everybody is invited to attend.

An address will be delivered by A. C. Howerton of Denton county, and music will be rendered by the Springtown string band and by the Decatur band. The Springtown band has been playing before other meetings of a similar character in the county and is very popular.

Members of the union announce that a chief purpose of the meeting is to promote general good fellowship. It should be well attended by all the people of the community.

R. E. FLORIDA PREDICTS RAIN IN THIS SECTION

Professor R. E. Florida, seer and prophet with honor in his home county, was in Decatur Wednesday from his Greenwood country home. While visiting in the Messenger office Professor Florida stated that, according to his charts and calculations, there would be a decided change in



R. E. FLORIDA, P. E., W. P., S. G.
Key-Prophet Extraordinary. Weather Prognosticator, Scholar and Gentleman.

atmospheric conditions in this immediate section between the twenty-sixth and twenty-ninth of this month, and that a good rain would result.

The professor, it will be remembered, some time ago predicted that a drought of considerable magnitude would be reported from all sections here on, and the professor's prognostications. Now he says the drought is playing out, and a good wetting of mother earth is due.

A Messenger reporter ventured the assertion that "if the professor hits this time, a parched humanity in these parts will stand at attention and call him great."

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Caswell of Sunset, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. M. St. Clair.

April 7th—let's swat the dirt and in so doing take a sweep at that which blanches the fair name of the town and contributes to the prosperity of the dentiferying fly and mosquito.

NEW STRUCTURE JUST COMPLETED

Open House Prevails at
Institution—One of
Oldest in State

The First National Bank moved into its new quarters at the southeast corner of the square Monday, and this week hundred of visitors have called and inspected what is said to be one of the best equipped banking institutions in this part of the state. The furniture and fixtures, which were specially made, are handsome and convenient to patrons and employees. The arrangements are ideal in every particular, and the numerous friends of this popular and sturdy banking institution are loud in their praise of this old enterprise's splendid strides in the procession of progress of the town and county.

History of the First National Bank forms a big chapter in the story of Decatur and Wise county, and since its organization—way back in the infant days of the town—it has steadily grown, contributing much to progress of this section; and for years it has been recognized as one of the leading banks of the state. Its officers, and the men who have managed its affairs in the financial world, have been keen and far-sighted business men, and to day among its officers and directors are men who stand at the head of the county's list of its most successful business men. Conducting its business on a high plane at all time, and ever ready to assist in the up-building of its town and county, and proving by performances that it is the friend of the man who is striving to help himself, this magnificent institution is deserving of the esteem and popularity it holds among the people.

A hearty welcome awaits you, and you are invited to visit the First National in its new quarters.

J. E. Boyd Will Make Home in San Antonio

J. E. Boyd, veteran insurance man, and one of Decatur's best citizens, has gone to San Antonio, where he is to enjoy a long visit with relatives and take a well earned rest from business activities. He was accompanied by Mrs. Boyd, and they will be away about a year.

During Mr. Boyd's absence the business of Boyd & Sons will be conducted by his sons, W. W. and L. C. Boyd. Messenger hopes the trip will be of great benefit to its old friend's health, and may each day in the historic old city, "cradle of Texas liberty," bring new pleasures to him.

City Has Agreed to Haul Off Trash.

Mayor J. E. Douglas and the city council authorize announcement that the city will haul away the trash following cleanup day, Tuesday, April 7th.

Trash must be in sacks, old tubs, boxes or other containers that do not have to be returned and must be placed so as to be seen.

Hauling will commence on the day following cleanup, and will be done in rotation by streets.

MAY DRILL WELL FOR BRIDGEPORT

The committee having in hand the blocking of acreage for Bridgeport's new oil well is far advanced with its work, but still encounters obstacles that are difficult to overcome. Nearly all the land owners in the district have already signed up their acreage, but there are three or four others who are slow to make up their minds and are thus holding up progress of the proposition.

Mr. Smith, oil promoter, interested in securing these leases is here again this week eager to sign a contract to spud in the first well within hundred and twenty days from the date land leases are signed—knowing ones say he will begin operations within less than thirty days. He says he is confident of finding oil in paying quantities and is anxious to make the test.

An oil well anywhere in the vicinity of these leases would send land values skyward, and if such a thing doesn't happen, three or four short-sighted land owners will have only themselves to blame for their hard luck.

The committee is not discouraged, but still on the job and is hopeful of putting the proposition over. It's too big a thing for the land owners to abandon.—Bridgeport Index.

WATER WORKS TAKEN OVER BY MR. NOBLES

After several years of successful management of the water system in Decatur, C. P. Dodson this week sold his interest in the enterprise to Victor Nobles, who has taken charge.

Mr. Dodson took over the water works in Decatur when the institution was at a low ebb, and it was thought at the time that he had made a losing trade with the city, but by energy and splendid business management, the system was rescued and put on a high plane, and good service—something the water patrons of Decatur had not been accustomed to—was installed. Dodson put his best energy into the work, and success crowned his efforts. The contract he had with the city has been turned into the hands of Mr. Nobles, and the patrons in the city are hoping that the good service will continue under the new management.

SCOVELL ENTERTAINS DECATUR AUDIENCES

Mr. Ben Scovell, English entertainer, was greeted Thursday evening in the district court room by a large and appreciative audience. Mr. Scovell is recognized as one of the world's greatest entertainers, and his wide experience on the stage and association with a number of the country's celebrities has given him a store of material. He is an affable fellow, and during his visit to Decatur made many good friends. Mr. Scovell was with the Canadians in France during the world war, and the stories he tells of his experiences while with forces under the Union Jack are the most thrilling. He was a boon companion of Harry Lander, one of England's greatest humorists, while in the trenches in Flanders. Before going to the battle front as an entertainer, Mr. Scovell was leading man in the company starring the famous Blanche Walsh.

The entertainment Thursday night was under the auspices of the Decatur Civic League. The program was thoroughly enjoyed.

SHOT BY FRIEND THRU ACCIDENT

Shot-Gun Load Entered
Side of Body—Died
Tuesday Night

Early Hicks, about twenty-five years of age, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Hicks of the Flatwoods community, was fatally shot accidentally in the West Fork bottoms on Tuesday afternoon by a shotgun in the hands of Aubrey Hickill, who lives on the Van Meter place in the Sand Hill community.

Hickill and wife and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Powell were fishing in the river, and Hickill left the party to go hunting. While hunting he met Hicks, and the two continued to hunt for squirrels. A squirrel was seen in a tree and Hickill shot at it, and as he unbreached the gun and changed a shell from the right hand barrel to the left, it was discharged, the load of shot entering the left side of Hicks. Assistance was called and the wounded young man was rushed to the T. G. Rogers Sanitarium in Decatur, where he died about seven-thirty o'clock.

Funeral services and burial were conducted at Pleasant Grove cemetery Wednesday afternoon in the presence of a large number of sorrowing relatives and friends.

The sympathy of the entire community goes out to the bereaved relatives of the young man who met such a tragic end and sympathizing friends are condoling the young man in whose hands was the gun when it was accidentally discharged. The young man had been acquaintances only a short period of time.

REPORTED JUDGE F. O. M'KINSEY SEEKS PLUM

A report is afloat in political circles that Judge F. O. McKinsey is an applicant for an appointment to a seat on the court of appeals commission, and that he stands a good chance of being selected by Governor M. A. Ferguson for the position. Friends of Judge McKinsey in Decatur state they have no news to this effect, but all admit they have heard it "rumored."

The judge has not made any statement that he is an applicant.

Another report says this report is in error, and that Judge McKinsey is seeking a place on the criminal court bench.

Anyway, if either report turns out to be true, and the judge gets a place on a higher tribunal, there will be some stirring about in local political arena; and applicants for appointment to the judgeship made vacant by McKinsey are mentioned. It is said that two, probably three, applicants from Decatur would have their qualifications mentioned to Mrs. Ferguson.

New Archer Oil Well Is Making Production

H. W. Baron, manager of Archer Oil Company, has returned from a business trip to the oil fields in Archer county. The company's well in the Coffield tract is a sixty-five barrel producer, states Mr. Marton.

Preparations are being made to put down other wells on the holdings of the Archer Company in that section.

COLONEL Jim Fulghum, old pioneer of the Chico country, was in town Wednesday with a party of friends from his section of Wonderful Wise. "Yes, it is as dry as a bone out our way," said Mr. Fulghum, "and I believe it is as dry as it was during the memorable year 1886." When a Messenger representative told him that Professor Florida, Greenwood seer and prophet extra-ordinary, predicted a rain for this immediate section between March 26th and 29th, the Chico pioneer said he would probably come over and enjoy a good wetting.

EST had my property insured again," remarked T. Perrin, farmer, as he was returning from the insurance agent's office. "Comes high, probably, but when a fellow is burned out it proves one of the best investments he ever made." Mr. Perrin added that he had his property destroyed by fire, and he knows the feeling of a fellow who sees the flames wipe out his savings. "And, speaking of fires," continued this pioneer, "I have seen some bad ones in Decatur. The east side of the square has been burned out a number of times, and the south side has been wiped out. Two court houses have been destroyed, and hundreds of dwellings have gone up in my time in this community."

ON the death of Charlie Culberson, I recall the days when he was one of our senators," remarked Old Timer to a Messenger representative. "Didn't the old state have two giants in the upper house of congress when Charlie Culberson and Joe Bailey were there? Ah, those were days when Texans had just come to feel proud. No state in the union had such master minds in that body: Texas ranked at the head. I remember visiting in Washington during the time Culberson and Bailey were our senators. I was in a party visiting the capitol, and I believe I was the only Texan among the visitors: I know the gentleman who was piloting the party thru the big did not know that there was a Texan in the crowd. After visiting lock different rooms and departments, we were taken into the senate chamber. A lady I think she was from Michigan asked the guide who was recognized as the outstanding senator, the recognized leader and the most brilliant member. I will never forget that guide's reply, and, say, I was proud to let that party know that I was from Texas. The guide said: 'My dear lady, that desk over there is occupied by Senator Charles Culberson, and that one by Senator Joseph Bailey, both from Texas: the biggest and most commanding figures this body has had in its history.' That's the way our senators were regarded when Culberson and Bailey were up at Washington."

W. Griffith, farmer, and a strong believer that oil in great abundance is in Wise county, was in town Tuesday and called at the Messenger office. He made inquiry about "what is being done to promote interest in development in the county." He agrees with the Messenger and its many friends among the land owners and farmers that a weather eye should be kept on the little lease seeker. "The only proper way to get development in our county," stated Mr. Griffith, "is for us to stand together, work together and present blocked acreage to the fellows who want a contract to drill wells. That oil can be found here has been demonstrated beyond all doubt: the Keystone proved it, and the Carey would have been a good producer if properly managed, those who know tell me. The oil men of the country want to come in here and start something; they feel confident that the oil is here, and it is up to us to give the necessary assistance in the program of developing the county." Mr. Griffith expresses the opinion held by a large number of the land owners, and prospects look flattering for a campaign that will result in producing wells. It is known that the Magnolia Company, one of the big concerns in the oil world, has a representative in the county, looking over the field, and a speaker at Tuesday's meeting of land owners in the court house stated that the company was seeking blocked acreage in the Chico country, and that operations would be started in that section not far distant.

Jack Adams of Slidell, and Miss Bertha Hudson of Ardmore Oklahoma, were married in Ardmore on Saturday, March 21st. Mr. and Mrs. Adams will make their home at Slidell.

Miss Fannie Vaughn, who is attending a business college in Fort Worth, spent the week-end in Decatur with her parents.

OWNERS POOL LEASES NEAR KEYSTONE WELL

Land owners in the vicinity of the old Keystone oil well, southeast of Decatur, are pooling their holdings and are making preparations to begin drilling a well soon. An expert geologist was in that community Tuesday, and in company with Henry Askey, and expressed the opinion that a good field will be brought in.

At a meeting of the land owners, held at the Blewett school house on Wednesday night, much enthusiasm was manifested.

"Let the land owners pool their holdings and turn the leases into the hands of some reliable man in the community, and let him be ready to close a drilling contract with sound and reliable concerns," stated Henry Askey. "Beware of the fellow who is seeking to tie up the acreage with promises to make contracts and later pay so much per acre for the lease. Ask him to put up some good, hard money that he will carry out his part of the contract, and nine times out of ten you will see the fellow withdraw from the scene. Deal direct with the drilling company," says Mr. Askey.

PERKINS - TIMBERLAKE CLOSES AT JACKSBORO

C. Y. Young of Vernon, and Frank P. Timberlake of Wichita Falls, were in the city this week. They had been in Jacksboro at the closing out of the business of Perkins-Timberlake Company in that town. Some time ago it was decided by Messrs. Perkins and Timberlake to close out of the store in Jacksboro and concentrate their interests in more promising fields.

This concern is one of the biggest and most successful institutions in the state, and its glowing success is attributed to their business principles.

BETHEL NEWS

About half a dozen of the stalwart bread-winners of Bethel met in open conference last week and placed a few props against the meeting house to keep it from falling down. Among those present taking an active part in the ceremony were S. C. Whittenburg, W. H. Dinaway, F. T. Kerr, Bill Rosenberg and Mr. Skyyak.

The little bantam hen that has been making her home at the ranch of Mr. Skyyak showed up missing last Sunday morning. Great uneasiness is being felt by the family, and it is feared she has met with "fowl" play. The one consoling thought about the whole affair is that she was thought full enough to leave a nest full of eggs behind.

Tobe Gage of the O'Joy ranch and Mr. Skyyak of the Red Dog ranch have started a cooperative turkey business on the fifty fifty plan. The O'Joy turkeys lay on the Red Dog land; Gage gets the eggs and Skyyak gets the old nests after the turkeys are thru with them. This bids fair to be a handy arrangement if some plan can be figured out to keep Sky from getting all the eggs.

The dairy herd of Marvin Dickson were pleasant callers at the farms of Mr. Skyyak and J. D. Parish Friday of last week. The day was profitably spent in wandering around over the farms, spotting the location of the different crops. Late in the afternoon a call meeting was held on the line between the two farms to decide where to go next. The queen of the herd called the meeting to order and the minutes of the last meeting were read. When the question was put as to any corrections to be made, one old brindle cow got up and said she wanted to make a correction: where the minutes stated that she was one of the bunch that ate part of Skyyak's cotton last year. She said she had witnesses to prove that she was in Mr. Giff's June corn patch at the time. Another cow arose and said she never had eaten any cotton at all, as she was nursing a young calf and had to be careful of her diet. When the question of new business came up, one old bobtailed cow arose, threw out her end and said: "Sisters, have you ever noticed how much easier I got about than do you of long tails? I wouldn't be bothered with a long tail any more for the world. When I jump into a field I'm all there as soon as my feet touch the ground. It is not that way with you long-tailed cows. When you jump in you have your tail to drag over the fence. If you are wise you will cut them off like mine. Let's hear from some of the other sisters on the question. No one said a word, only one sassy heifer was heard to murmur something about sour grapes. The next question before the house was the location of the next meeting place. The queen wanted to go to Mr. Horton's field, while the balance of the herd favored Mr. Kerr's oats. They couldn't agree and wound up in a row. The herd got so mad they "bawled" the queen out and all went home.—Skyyak.

First Baptist Church to Begin Revival April 12



Dr. R. G. Bowers, pastor of the Columbus street Baptist church of Waco, Texas, who is to assist in the revival meeting at the First Baptist church of Decatur beginning April 12.

The new brick residence of M. W. Burch on East Main street is being rushed to completion, and when finished it will be one of the handsomest homes in the city.

Life's game is making yourself the best you can be, let fate say what it will; if so investing the years and the talents you have to cause the largest number of people to be glad, the fewest to be sorry, and coming to the end with the least regret.

ROCK CRUSHER GIVEN INSPECTION BY SMITH

County Engineer H. R. Smith visited the new rock crusher the county recently purchased, on the Blanton place near Chico, Wednesday. This machine is one of the latest of its kind, and will be a great advantage in road building work in the county. According to statement of Judge S. M. Ward, the saving in hauling of gravel in road construction will pay for this machine in a short time.

Some of the best material in the state for highway building purposes can be found in most any section of the county; and as the crusher can be moved and set up on short notice, it will be readily seen that a big saving in hauling can be made.

Gas Service Bill Made Lower by Advertising

Charges for gas service are lower because of newspaper advertising. Saying it with newspaper type has taught the public new uses and new conveniences brought about by gas and the increased consumption by millions of customers has helped to lower the cost of that utility.

That was the gist of a report made to the board of directors of the public utilities advertising association, which met with the American Gas Association in its sixth annual convention.

The field of expansion in the gas industry, thru advertising, is almost unlimited, according to executives of the utility. Plans are now under way to extend the use of gas for home heating, as well as domestic cooking, industrial heating and other purposes.

American Farmer Can Follow England's Lead

England cultivates only about one-third of her land, because she has been successful in developing live stock breeds of quality for other lands, but there is also another and a more potent reason. She has been a manufacturing and merchandising nation and her farms had to compete with industry for labor. The wages of labor have been higher in manufacturing than in other parts of Europe. The English farmer has been unable to compete with the manufacturer for labor, just as our own southern farmers are now finding difficulty in competing for labor against our protected manufacturing industries. English farmers have gradually been forced to put the land into crops or a system of agriculture requiring less human labor.

Our southern farmers will be forced to learn the same lesson. It will not be an unmixed evil, or at least it has not been to the English farmer, for, my, what rich land they now have and what fine crops they do grow.—The Progressive Farmer.

Let us raise a very fog of town clean-up April 7th.

SCORE BULLETINS FOR FARM CAMPAIGN OUT

Next week the bulletin carrying the score card and explanation of the farm and community contests will be issued from the press and circulated over the county to the extent of over five thousand copies, and it is then expected that local committees will get busy holding preliminary general mass meetings with a view to conveying a proper understanding of the details as a condition precedent to the entrance of the communities in the contest.

Several communities have already decided they could use one of those big handsome prizes to good use in buying needed fixtures and apparatus for their school, and they are going to try to win. But regardless of whether they win or not, they know they are bound to benefit from participation in the effort.

Miss Lela Futch has returned to her home in Electra, after a visit here with her sister, Mrs. Sam Williams.

Mrs. H. B. Mason of Electra, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Moore.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC---

—Having sold the Decatur Independent Telephone plant to Mr. W. R. Hodnett, and retiring from the same, I take this method of thanking the many good citizens of Decatur and Wise County for their splendid co-operation given me since I took over the management of the business. Without this co-operation on your part, it would have been impossible for the service to have attained the high order that it has. It has been a pleasure to transact business with such citizens, and I want to assure you, one and all, that I appreciate you. The new manager and owner is an experienced telephone man, a courteous gentleman, and it is his aim to build up the system until it is second to none in the state. And this can be done with the co-operation and assistance of the patrons of the company. The Independent patrons are entitled to good service, and with this in view, the management says he is to give the best in him to put the service at the top.

—All those knowing themselves to be indebted to me, will please call at my office in the court house, in the justice of the peace office in the rear of the county court room, and settle. If you cannot make payment now on your indebtedness, will you please come in and make arrangements to have it carried. See me or Mr. Elmer Clark who is looking after the collections.

—With a heart full of gratitude and appreciation of my good friends, and commending the new management to you, I am,

Your friend,

W. V. CUNNINGHAM

Give Bad Check Artist Two Years Road Work

A bad check artist came to grief in Fort Worth one day this week, when he was sentenced to serve one year on the county road for passing a worthless check for \$15.

Who Wants Fine Player Piano at a Bargain?

We have a beautiful new player with bench and collection of late rolls. Also a splendid rebuilt upright with nice stool and scarf to match. We will dispose of either of these beautiful instruments at a bargain and on reasonable terms if desired.

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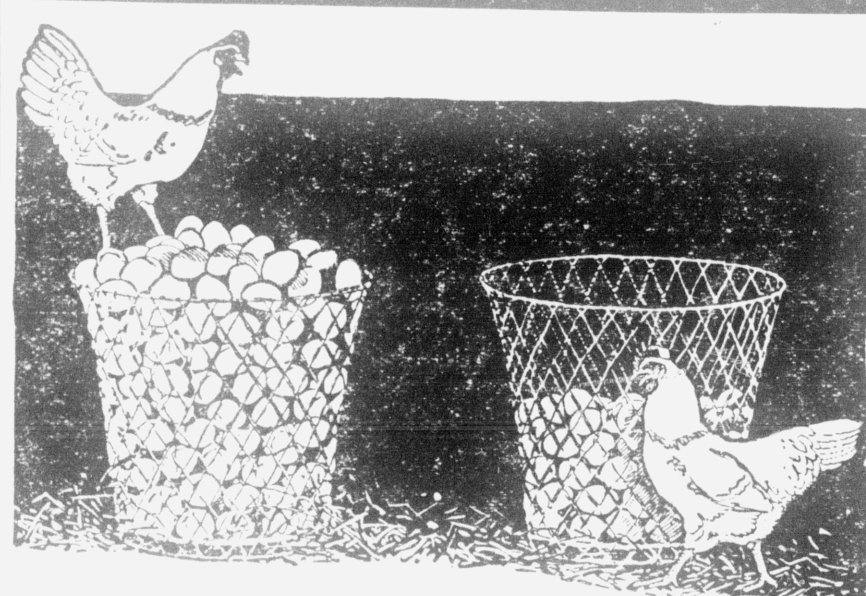
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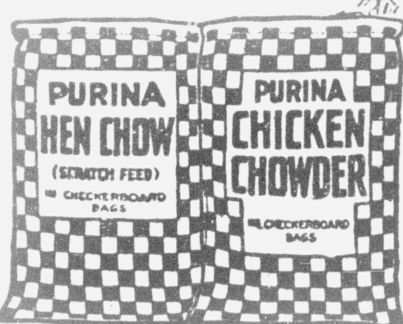
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LOCAL NEWS

SCHEDULE FOR FORT WORTH & DENVER TRAINS.

NORTH BOUND.			
Ft. Worth	Decatur	W. Falls	
No. 7—10:45 pm	12:21 am	3:00 am	
No. 1—9:45 am	11:07 am	1:25 pm	
No. 5—6:45 pm	8:16 pm	10:55 pm	
SOUTH BOUND.			
W. Falls	Decatur	Ft. Worth	
No. 8—3:00 am	5:26 am	7:00 am	
No. 4—9:00 am	11:28 am	12:45 pm	
No. 2—2:45 pm	5:00 pm	6:20 pm	

Mrs. W. V. Cunningham visited in Wichita Falls.

Miss Jewell Moore shopped in Fort Worth Saturday.

C. B. Beard was here from Fort Worth first of the week.

W. C. Owen has returned from several days' visit in Dallas.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Stult, on Monday, March 23rd, a son.

The Y. W. A. met with Miss Margaret Bell on Tuesday afternoon.

B. M. Shoemaker is having some improvements made to his property.

Ed Stamps of Tyler, has been the guest of his niece, Mrs. Ruth Belew.

Mmes. W. T. Payne, D. H. Payne and T. J. Mann spent Friday in Fort Worth.

J. Preston Terrell, prominent business man of Temple, has been visiting in the city.

Mrs. Terrell Lillard visited Mrs. Fansher in St. Joseph's Sanitarium in Fort Worth.

Miss Lady Bess Prunty, student in C. I. A. at Denton, visited her parents here Sunday.

J. W. Maley attended the meeting of the grand lodge of I. O. O. F. in Wichita Falls.

Mrs. L. C. Walker of Dallas, is visiting her parents here, Mr. and Mrs. Tom McCracken.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Paschall H. Lambert of Wichita Falls, on Paschall, March 20th, a son.

Harold McCarter, with a wholesale grocery house in Fort Worth, visited his mother here Sunday.

Second hand lumber for sale at the Beard building on southwest corner of square. See J. L. Woodbridge.

Mmes. W. W. Williams and R. E. Collins will attend Methodist conference in Greenville next week.

E. B. Clark was over in the Tioga community this week in the interest of a mutual insurance company.

Miss Mary Louise Williams, of Washington, D. C., has been visiting relatives and friends in Decatur.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Collins and baby and Mrs. Dick Collins visited relatives and friends in Dallas first of the week.

W. C. Cunningham, representing the local lodge, attended the grand lodge meeting of the I. O. O. F. in Wichita Falls.

Luther Belew and family were called to Vernon, to be at the bedside of Mrs. Fred Belew, who is reported to be seriously ill with pneumonia.

A band from from a ten show, playing in Bridgeport, entertained the citizens of Decatur with a number of airs on the square Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Vera Spearman, instructor in the Godey high schools, was a guest of Miss Beatrice Preston at D. B. C. Miss Spearman graduated in the '24 class of the Baptist College, and during her school days here she was one of the most popular and beloved of the students. One of the most beautiful and talented young ladies that has ever attended our school, this fine girl drew about her a large circle of friends, and they will be glad to know that she is making splendid success in teaching. By turning out young ladies of the charming personality and accomplishments of Miss Spearman, Decatur Baptist College beautifully reflects its master work.

Miss Lola Mae New is in Dallas this week visiting relatives.

Misses Beatrice and Philetus Adcock of Alvord were in Decatur last Saturday shopping.

Miss Annie Caddell has returned home from an extended visit to Electra and Wichita Falls.

Your grocer has Mother's bread, made with milk. Specify Mother's when you order your groceries. City Bakery.

Miss Flossie Montgomery, teacher in the schools of Van Alstyne, was in Decatur last week-end, visiting relatives and friends.

Eye glasses fitted; broken frames mended; broken lenses duplicated. Good work guaranteed. W. M. Sanders, Druggist and Optometrist.

Carl Christian has purchased the E. P. Gibson residence on South Trinity street, and will move into his new home about June 1st. This is one of the best pieces of property on that popular street, and it is said that Mr. Christian got a bargain in the deal. Gibson has owned the property for more than twenty years, purchasing it from J. W. Simmons, who was a merchant in Decatur. The lot faces on South Trinity and runs thru to State street on the west, and for years has been one of the most desirable lots in the city. It is said that Mr. Christian has refused a profit of half the amount he paid for the property.

Porch Drop Shelves on Farm Are Convenient

"Of all the handy things I ever had it has been those drop shelves that my husband put in the kitchen," Mother remarked to a neighbor as they sat rocking and sewing on the screened porch one sunny afternoon a few weeks ago.

"My husband put some in our porch and they are so handy that we now call it our outdoor living room. Our porch, like yours, is boarded up about two feet and screened the rest of the way so some of the drop shelves are fastened just beneath the screening and some to the house."

"What a fine idea," exclaimed Mother. "You could use one for flowers, one for your sewing and one for the children's games."

"Yes, and we have been eating a good many of our suppers out there, too," said the neighbor, "and you have no idea how the family has enjoyed it."

Mother rolled her eye significantly at Dad and he smiled. The Progressive Farmer.

School Parade to be Held Saturday.

Two big days of diversified interest in Wise county school-dom begin in Decatur today. The inter-scholastic league has come to be a big thing, whose literary and athletic spring meet each year is looked to from one end of the year to the other. The program will be carried out as per the printed schedule of event, which was carried in last week's issue of the Messenger.

The handsome prizes and the tokens provided by the Decatur chamber of commerce for the winning contestants have been received and are on display in a window of the Empire Drug Company.

Director Hamilton Gentry has announced a big school parade and demonstration, to be held at eleven o'clock tomorrow, to be participated in by all the schools that are pleased to do so. The parade will form at the First Methodist church and, led by the band, will visit the business district. The chamber of commerce has offered a handsome United States flag and twelve-foot staff to the school that has the most pupils, patrons and trustees in the line of parade. The schools in Decatur are excluded from the contest as a matter of fairness to the other schools.

Jack Hudson of Slidell and Miss Alma McLain of Woodward, Oklahoma, were married on March 19th, at the home of the bride in Oklahoma. Mr. Hudson is a well known young man of the Slidell country. The happy couple will reside at Slidell.

Join the ranks of the rooster drive on May 1st.

Railroad commissioner C. V. Terrell was a visitor here one day this week.

ROOSTER DRIVE TO BE STARTED BY FARMERS

Farmers and poultry men keeping any kind or number of chickens for commercial profit should ponder the fact that the estimated waste and loss of the egg marketing situation of last year was, in round number, fifty thousand dollars in the Decatur territory. That is a loss too great for intelligent people to tolerate and perhaps the larger per cent of it is or was due to thoughtlessness.

The greater proportion of the evil came from keeping the male bird with the flock after the period of warm weather set in, or from about May 1st on. Fertile eggs very quickly deteriorate, and the consequence is visited on all parties concerned from the producer to the consumer—all the way and finally the good name of the community into the bargain.

Certainly it would be nothing but following the dictates of plain common sense to pull off a big general rooster drive around May 1st.

Sheriff's Sale.

The state of Texas, county of Wise, Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain alias execution, issued out of the honorable district court of Dallas county, on the 11th day of March, 1925, by John H. Cullum, clerk of said district court, for the sum of three thousand two hundred forty-four and 21/100 dollars and costs of suit, under a judgment, in favor of Lorch Manufacturing Company, in a certain cause in said court, No. 55376-B and seven Lorch Manufacturing Company v. P. A. Boaz, placed in my hands for service, I, W. M. Workman, as sheriff of Wise county, Texas, did, on the 12th day of March, 1925, levy on certain real estate, situated in Wise county, Texas, described as follows, to-wit:

Lots No. 19, 21, 22, block No. 50, lots No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24 block 25, all situated in the town of Bridgeport in Wise county, Texas, and all appurtenances thereto in anywise belonging, consisting among other things of an electric light plant and all machinery thereon.

Lot No. 18 block 50, lots No. 1 to 12 both inclusive in block No. 48, lot 7 in block 23, lots No. 23 and 24 block 50, lots No. 1, 2, 3, and 4 block No. 50, lots No. 1 to 7 both inclusive in block No. 47, all situated in the town of Bridgeport, Wise county, Texas.

And the following acreage situated in Wise county, Texas: 95 acres of land out of the Austin and Williams survey, described in deed recorded in book 92 page 214 of Wise county deed records.

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61 1/2 acres of land out of the J. M. Arocha survey, described in deed recorded in book 99 page 51 of the Wise county deed records.

Reference is hereby made to said deeds above referred to for a more complete description of said lands.

Said lands being the same lands conveyed by P. A. Boaz to W. A. Grimes, trustee for Mornings, recorded in the deed of trust records of Wise county, Texas, in the office of the county clerk in book 42 page 400, which is here referred to for a more complete description of all the lands above described acreage and town lots, and levied upon as the property of P. A. Boaz, and that on the first Tuesday in April, 1925, the same being the 7th day of said month, at the court house door, of Wise county, in the city of Decatur, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m. by virtue of said levy and said order of sale I will sell said above described real estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said A. C. Butler, Sophia Grosman and M. Grosman.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Wise County Messenger, a newspaper published in Wise county.

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WRIGLEY'S "after every meal"

Parents—encourage the children to care for their teeth!

Give them Wrigley's. It removes food particles from the teeth. Strengthens the gums. Combats acid mouth.

Refreshing and beneficial!



Marvelous Hot Bread

MAKE your next batch of hot bread with Mrs. Tucker's Shortening. You'll notice how light it is—so tender that it seems to melt in your mouth!

Whenever you use Mrs. Tucker's Shortening, you will find that it imparts a wonderful, buttery richness to any food—keeping it fresh longer—and preserving the most delicate flavors. This is because Mrs. Tucker's is a pure, wholesome, vegetable shortening that always comes to you fresh. It is made exclusively of choice cottonseed oil.

Mrs. Tucker's is the most easily digested cooking fat. It is never coarse or greasy, and it goes much further than ordinary shortening. Ask your grocer for a pail today. You get it in a most convenient container. This pail is air-tight and absolutely sanitary, but it is exceedingly easy to open. Interstate Cotton Oil Refining Company, Sherman, Texas.

Mrs. Tucker's Shortening
America's finest cooking fat

MAJESTIC THEATRE

Decatur, Texas

Monday and Tuesday, March 30-31

"WHITE MAN" A Special Feature

With Alice Joyce, the screen's most famous star, in the leading role, supported by an equally famous cast including Kenneth Harlan and Walter Long. You are sure to like this interesting drama of life.

AESOP'S FABLES

Thursday and Friday, April 2-3

"THE MAN FROM BRODNEY'S"

A special Vitagraph feature with an all-star cast of noted favorites, including J. Warren Kerrigan, Alice Calhoun, Wanda Hawley, Miss Du Pont, Pat O'Malley, and many others. One of the most stupendous and gorgeous productions that has been booked. A thrilling and interesting photoplay that you should not miss.

"THE GO-GETTERS"

"The Go-Getters" features are proving to be very popular. This is another episode sparkling with clean comedy and humor.

Saturday, April 4

"THE WAY OF A MAN"

Another chapter of the new and thrilling serial. Don't miss this episode as they are growing more interesting and thrilling.

"THE FIGHTING SAMP"

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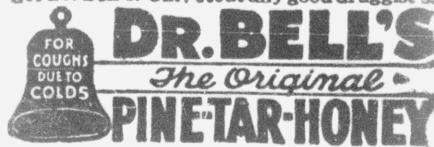
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COUGHS

Quick Way to Stop Them

Persistent, racking coughing, which by rapidly weakening your entire system lays you open to more dangerous infections, can be checked often with the first dose of that old-time tried and proved remedy—Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar Honey. And there's a reason. Doctors say there is nothing like pine-tar to quickly loosen and remove the phlegm and congestion which are the direct cause of the coughing, while the honey both gives a pleasant taste and helps soothe irritation. It is often astonishing how quickly this combination relieves the stubbornest cough.

But be sure you get the original Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar Honey, and no substitute. Dr. Bell's has been known for over a quarter of a century as the best. It is scientifically compounded of just the right proportions of pine-tar, honey and other quick-acting healing ingredients which the best doctors have found to aid in quick relief. Contains no opiates or other harmful drugs, so can be given even to young children—fine for spasmodic croup. If you want the best, a medicine that often relieves the severest cough overnight, make sure you get Dr. Bell's. Only 30c at any good druggist's.



The BULL'S EYE

Editor and General Manager
WILL ROGERS



THE AMERICAN CONSTITUTION A LA CARTE

Order Any Amendment You Want

THEY are trying to pass an amendment to keep children from working. Now children didn't want to work, but they got tired waiting for somebody else to do it. If they would just put through an amendment to MAKE grown people all work, there would be no need to have this children one. Grown people stopped working without an Amendment or even a reason, so it will take more than an Amendment to start them. It will take a Miracle.

They are going to pass another Prohibition Amendment, somebody mislaid the rules of the other one. The 19th amendment made Women vote, some amendments make us do something and some keep us from it. No. 21 will give men with Knee Breeches the vote. About the 25th Amendment will prohibit smoking and when they do, 'Bull' Durham will boot-leg for a dollar a sack. (I knew I would get that Ad worked in there somewhere.)

Will Rogers

P. S. I'm going to write some more pieces that will appear in this paper. Keep looking for them.

MORE OF EVERYTHING

for a lot less money. That's the net of this 'Bull' Durham proposition. More flavor—more enjoyment—and a lot more money left in the bankroll at the end of a week's smoking.

TWO BAGS for 15 cents
100 cigarettes for 15 cents



'BULL' DURHAM
Guaranteed by
The American Tobacco Co.
INCORPORATED
111 Fifth Avenue, New York City

GOOD BARGAINS IN FARMS

Henley farm, 515 acres black land, two sets of improvements, about 2 1/2 miles from Krum, Texas, 8 miles from Denton, Texas, about a mile off gravel road. Dirt road on three sides. Can be divided into 3 tracts.

J. G. Brumley farm, 561 acres black land, rolling, all pasture. Best grass in Wise County. No improvements except cement tank. Good fences. About 7 miles from Decatur.

F. H. Barlow farm, 517 acres black land, fair improvements; 2 1/2 miles from Blum, 18 miles from Cleburne and 28 miles from Hillsboro, in Hill County. Can be divided.

W. H. Allison farm, 1,339 acres black land, three sets of improvements, 15 miles from Granbury, 18 miles from Cleburne, at Fort Spunky, in Johnson, Hood and Somervell Counties.

Gaines farm, 2,644.3 acres black land, several sets of improvements, about 6 miles from Bay City. Can be divided.

These farms are all free of incumbrance. Reasonable terms.

HUDSON P. ELLIS

Second National Bank

Houston, Texas

W. A. Hill and Miss Ina Reeves Marry Sunday

W. T. Hill and Miss Ina Reeves were united Sunday afternoon at two o'clock, March 22nd, Rev. R. E. Bell performing the ceremony at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Reeves.

The ceremony took place before an altar of ferns, lillies and pink roses. Miss Linnie Blewett sang "I Love You Truly," accompanied by Miss Eileen Rowan at the piano. Miss Blewett played the bridal chorus from Lohen-grin, with violin accompaniment by Miss Rowan. During the ceremony "The Flower Song" sounded softly from the piano and violin.

The bride was beautifully dressed in a blond satin crepe with accessories to match. She carried an arm bouquet of pink rose-buds, with showers of sweet peas.

Mrs. Hill is the charming daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Reeves of this city. She was reared in Decatur, and has many friends here.

Mr. Hill for several years has been an efficient book-keeper for Lillard Milling Company.

The happy couple left immediately for a short trip to various points in South Texas. They will make their home at the L. Renshaw residence after April 1st.

Out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. E. Hill and Miss Eva Hill of Dallas.

Few Villages of U. S. Are Made Attractive

Nearly twenty million people in the United States, or about one-fifth of a population, live in villages, and fifty million farming people use these villages for purposes of business, education, religion, health and social well-being. Yet these centers of rural population are usually unattractive and often very ugly. Villages of other countries are generally much superior to those of the United States in their design, in the character of their public buildings and streets, and in their approaches and recreation spots. A start, however, has been made toward beautifying the American village.

Some examples of leadership in this respect are recorded by the department of agriculture, which has been studying the problem of village planning from the standpoint of its importance to the rural community and particularly to the farmer.

It is more as a buying than as a selling place that the farmer makes use of the village. In marketing of products he generally deals with some large distributing center. But he purchases his household supplies in the village. He goes there for amusement and for social purposes generally.

His children often go to school there. An attractive village, says the department, is an important influence in stabilizing farm life and in counteracting the attractions which cities have for the young people of the farm. As the farmer's chief point of contact with outside interests, the village can make a big contribution to the happiness of farm life, even if it is considered from no other standpoint than the fact that it is the place where the farmer spends a large part of his income.

Attend the Majestic tonight.

L. A. L. Club Has Fine Gathering Wednesday

The L. A. L. Club met with Misses Bill and Ina Reeves on Wednesday evening. After the guests had arrived, thimbles, needles and thread were given to each one; after a needle threading contest, the guests were escorted to another room, where a quilt was ready to be worked on. A prize was given to the one who quilted the most. Jaw breakers, stick candy and all-day suckers were served while quilting.

After completing the quilt, ginger bread and butter-milk were served to the following members. Mmes. Paul Ash, Sam Hill, Clarence Reeves, Roy Robertson; Misses Buna Robertson, Eileen Rowan, Iris Brown, Eula Mae Watts, Linnie Blewett, Annie Rhine. Guests were Mrs. Rowan of Canyon and Mrs. Fred Thomason.

Baptist Church.

There were 328 in Sunday school last Sunday, and the house was full at the evening preaching service. The anthem by the choir at the evening service was beautiful and was very much appreciated.

The pastor will preach next Sunday evening on "Religion and Rain." Are they related? Does God control the weather? What is God's relation to the laws of nature? Can men influence the weather? What is the purpose of weather, anyhow?

We are having the largest congregations now we have had for several years. Several have expressed the belief recently that we are on the eve of a great revival of religion. Your presence at the Baptist church will be appreciated, and an earnest effort will be made to make the services helpful to all who come.—R. E. Bell, pastor.

Dr. A. B. Conley, who has been spending some time in Mineral Wells, was in the city first of the week, en route to his home in Dallas.

Notice by Publication.

State of Texas, county of Wise. In probate court: The state of Texas. To the sheriff or any constable of Wise county—greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published, in a newspaper of general circulation published in the said county, at least once a week for ten consecutive days before the return day hereof, the following notice:

The state of Texas. To all persons interested in the estate of Martha Ann Gibson and Robert M. Gibson, minors, E. P. Gibson has filed an application in the county court of Wise county on the 18th day of March, 1925, for letters of guardianship of estates of Martha Ann Gibson and Robert M. Gibson, minors, which said application will be heard by said court on the 6th day of April, A. D. 1925, at the court house of said county, in Decatur, Texas, at which time all persons who are interested in the welfare of said minors are required to appear and answer said application, should they desire to do so.

Herein fail not, but have you before said court on the first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness my hand and official seal, at Decatur, Texas, this 18th day of March, 1925.—MRS. RUTH BELEW, clerk county court, Wise county, Texas. By G. S. Blewett, deputy. (Mar 20-27)

Give Entertainment on Departure of Student

Decatur Baptist College honored one of its students, H. Bently Glass, who, after finishing his studies here with the close of the winter term, has left for Baylor University. A party was given in his honor at Sanders Drug Store Thursday evening, March 18th. Burroughs A. Waltrip made a talk. There was a large number of students present and all took part in congratulating their fellow student upon his success he has attained in the school.

Workmen have finished some substantial improvements on the residence of Mrs. Ruth Belew on East Main street.

Mrs. H. W. Barton and two sons spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives in Haskell.

Cocanougher Stocking Dairy with Pure Breds

C. Cocanougher has recently received two car loads of registered and pure bred Jersey cattle for his dairy north of Decatur. The cattle are all said to have a fine milk producing ancestry behind them.

Mr. Cocanougher is in the market at present for an equally well bred sire to head part of his herd.

A number of students of Decatur, were at home from State University last week-end, among them being J. P. Boyd, Ralph Renshaw, Lauro de Britto, Ralph Hoyl, Tom Terrell and Miss Mary Frances Bennett.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Lackey and Miss Mary Lackey of Waco, visited relatives and friends in Decatur last week-end.

May Complete Balsora Well by New Contract

Jay Theford of the Balsora country, was in the city Tuesday. He said that the Boonsville Oil Company is making preparations to make another contract for the finishing of the well in that community that had been put down to the contract depth. It is now believed that if the well is put down to 2,250 feet a good flow of oil will be hit.

Some big development is looked for in that section of the county.

There will be a play, "Path Over the Hill," at the Perrin school house on the night of April 4th. You are invited to attend; no admission.

Mrs. W. A. Stevenson of Fort Worth, was the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. M. St. Clair Saturday and Sunday.

Ask Decatur Travelers to Advertise Our City

Decatur citizens who contemplate automobile trips should provide themselves with illustrated folders advertising the town and the college, and also secure automobile plates bearing the name of the town.

Both folders and plates may be secured at the chamber of commerce office from the secretary.

The foods class of the Decatur high school will serve sandwiches, pie and candy at C. L. Christian's furniture store on Saturday, March 28th.

On account of the druggy condition of our city water, we have heard some complaint of our laundry work. We want to inform our patrons that we are doing our best under the conditions existing. Coleman Laundry.

ASSOCIATED  STORES

PERKINS-TIMBERLAKE COMPANY

UNINCORPORATED



With Easter so near at hand---look to us for smart fashions in new apparel---new coats ---ensembles, frocks, of flat crepe, printed crepe, georgettes, broadcloth, linen, etc. Every one an inspiration---and at such astonishingly low prices. . To see them is to appreciate them.

The coats are priced from \$10.00 up to \$34.75
The silk frocks are priced at \$10.00 to \$34.75
The linen broadcloth priced \$4.95 to \$10.00

---JUST ONE PRICE

---ONE JUST PRICE

NEW LACE AND LINEN NECKWEAR

There is something in this group that we feel sure you will find useful in the planning of your Easter frock. Lots of frills, in both collars and cuffs The prices are---65c to \$1.50.

JUST IN TIME FOR EASTER

Our line of ladies' and children's is authority in footwear---all new styles are shown now and new ones coming as soon as they are out. These shoes include blonde, satins, patent leather, tan calf and combinations. Prices are \$3.50 to \$7.50. Children's shoes, sizes 12 to 2 1-2---\$1.25 to \$3.50. Children's sizes in 8 1-2 to 11 1-2---\$1.75 to \$3.00. Children's sizes in 5 1-2 to 8---\$1.25 to \$2.25. Be sure and give this department a visit and see our new arrivals.

BOY'S WASH HATS

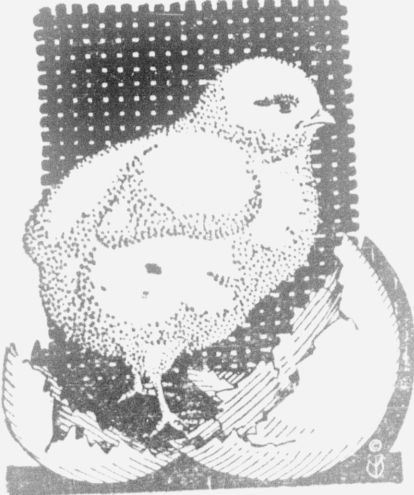
In several new, attractive shades; in plain colors and combinations—Priced at—50c., \$1.00, and \$1.50. Let us show them to you.

PERFUMES

Toilet water, powder; in fact a complete line of high-grade toilet articles—Richard Hudnut and Hubuganto—especially priced.

KAYNEE

Shirts and blouses for the boys. We believe this line to be the very best obtainable—and biggest and best value at \$1.00 and \$1.50



KAYNEE

Wash Suits for the smaller boys in a wide range of style and colors. They also go under our Strict Guarantee

A NEW SHIPMENT OF HERRICK REFRIGERATORS

We have just received a number of new styles Herrick refrigerators which are now being placed before our patrons. Several new styles and sizes from which to make your selections. Come in and see our large line.

The Herrick does not have zinc or galvanized lining, but is spruce lined, packed with mineral wool. The Herrick is odorless—the only dry air refrigerator made. Everything kept in a Herrick is sweet and wholesome.

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SOUTHWESTERN 50

TELEPHONES

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SUBSCRIPTION RATES.

ONE YEAR—\$1.50.

SIX MONTHS—\$1.00.

THREE MONTHS—50C.

Friday Morning, March 27, 1925.

When a woman wails she misses her husband, advise her to aim lower.

Join that boosting, building organization—the chamber of commerce. Help your town and county.

Fort Worth foot pads are respecting the law prohibiting masking in public places, according to press reports from that city.

Don Marquis says faith is the greatest thing in the world; millions have fought, bled and died for doctrines they never read and did not understand.

Mr. Landowner, keep your foxy eye on the little five and ten acre lease land. This fellow can knock into snailshells all efforts to get development.

Press reports state Mme. Bernice de Pasquala, noted singer, was stricken on western tour. It is said that this is one of the most vital spots in fingers.

Mr. Collier's witnesses did their duty, but that fighting young district attorney was on the job, and one of the stars was indicted for perjury before she had gone far with her story.

One swallow does not make summer, but one swallow of the stuff that is being confiscated by alert Tarrant county officers will make a mild-mannered cotton-tail attack a ferocious bear.

A clean conscience has never been known to record peculiar noises when its possessor lies down to rest. It's the foul, troubled soul that is startled and quails from apparitions of accusing fingers.

Officers in South Carolina are finding booze in the cemeteries of that state. Maybe a boot-legger is endeavoring to shorten the time between drinks for that governor long since gone to his reward.

Childless is to be the new plains road's headquarters. We have felt confident all along Colonel Haskell's claims of that town's pure water and wholesome atmosphere would succeed in landing something worth while.

Now comes the report that the great Babe Ruth, king of swat, is in the soup line; that is, he is broke. It is suspected there is a joker in this statement, in view of the fact that Babe is drawing fifty-two thousand dollars per season.

Girls, get out your dream books and record all your dreams of love. Miss Jaunita Asire of Cleveland, Ohio, kept tab of her dreams in her diary. She lost the little book in which she had bared all the secrets of her heart, the hero found it, called on Miss Asire and the other day the couple set sail on the sea of matrimony.

The Houston klan and one of its former officials are staging a merry case in the courts. Mr. Kinbro, who admits he was in the order's employ until he was dismissed, wants half a million dollars for damages done his "peace, dignity, etc." and the klan has come back with a demand that Kinbro pay over \$100,000 which he is charged with taking from the tills without authority.

Dorothy Thompson, the young miss who killed her mother in San Francisco because she told the daughter not to attend a wild party, fainted when she was called to the witness stand. But Dorothy is holding her own remarkably, according to reports from the court room. She appeared in a henna colored dress, fawn colored hose and tan shoes; a hat of henna straw covered her filian hair.

Fort Worth newspapers were playing up, under big, black headings, the story of a capture, something like three or four hundred gallons of the cheering liquid, but the haul looks little and a big insignificant when compared with capture stunts staged in Wise county by Sheriff Workman and his deputies, Gage and Cartwright. In one haul on a certain Sunday morning, not long recorded with the days that have been numbered with the past, our officers stepped out and took over about eight hundred full grown gallons of sparkling red whisky. That Fort Worth plant was merely a branch distilling outfit.

The best and most learned geologists say Wise county has the liquid gold, but that it will never be brought to the top if the little checker-board lease player is given recognition. Keep this advice in mind when you are offered fifty cents an acre for a slice out of your lands.

In the passing of Charles A. Colburnson, the nation witnessed the going of one of its greatest men. He was a son of Texas—a state which he served with honor and distinction. In an evil moment the commonwealth he had served so faithfully and with such brilliancy and credit turned its hand against him, an act that is regretted by the thousands who perpetrated the deed. Colburnson was a man, and the record he made in public office will live and endure years and years after the little men have played their miserable parts and passed on.

For Cat's Sake.

Once we had a Thomas cat
That warbled like Canuso.
Tolleson crowned him with a hat,
Now, Thomas doesn't do so.

This poor old cat was wont to sing
And howl with all his might,
Of hope and love and everything
Thruout the livelong night.

His song approached not melody;
Its tones were harsh and flat.
His singing was a felony—
In fact, it killed this cat!

Let all who read this epitaph
Take warning, 'stead of weeping;
And please don't sing or talk or laugh
While other folks are sleeping.

Encourage Radio.

Radio is classed as the most wonderful achievement of the century. Its entertainment value is greater than all other forms of amusement. It will do more to educate the peoples of the world than any other agency. Its possibilities are equal to almost any reasonable stretch of imagination.

During 1920, sales of radio sets and parts totaled two million dollars; in 1924, over four hundred million dollars, and it is likely that this year will exceed five hundred million.

Fast growing industries, the easy mark of taxation and regulation. Our country leads the world in manufacturing because industry is given a free scope for the operation of individual initiative in its development and the encouragement of new industry.

A ten per cent tax as proposed by congress or a discriminatory freight rate against radio sets and equipment would discourage the advancement of this industry at a time when it ought to be encouraged.

Tingling Tales That Tone--By Skygak

Prominent Preskitt Pharmer Pulls Pathetic Pantomime.

One day last week the folks of the Preskitt community were treated to one of the greatest rodeo stunts ever pulled outside the Fat Stock Show. The affair was free and all reserved seats were taken and standing room was at a premium. The exciting affair was staged at the home of A. M. Crowder, and young Hayes was the hero of act one.

One version of the affairs gives it that Hayes had been attending the movies pretty regularly and became fired with an ambition to become a bull fighter. In keeping with this worthy ambition, he spent lots of time that he should have been in the field roping fence posts and the family cow. On this fateful morning he decided to plunge boldly in and kill two birds with one stone by roping a full grown bull. As the luck would have it, he roped the animal the first cast; got him around the neck and one fore leg—and the first act was on the the ringing of bells, bawling of cows and squawking of hens.

When the bull looked around and saw what had hold of the rope, he tried to see how far he could jerk Hayes without breaking his neck. After this the bull made nineteen full circles around a forty acre field with Hayes flying out behind like the tail of a kite. All this time Hayes was screaming and out of his mouth and calling for help to turn the big animal loose.

At this instant T. J. Pound appeared on the scene and, taking the situation at a glance, decided that Hayes was not conducting the show according to Hoyle. Believing he saw a chance to become a hero, he jumped into the arena, took the rope away from Hayes and proceeded to instruct him in the gentle art of taming a mad bull. His first act was to tangle himself up in the rope and let the now-maddened bovine run away with him. She angry animal seemed to take great delight in dragging him thru wire fences and brush. By this time Mr. Pounds seemed to be madder than the bull and when the animal had run himself down, he braced himself against a stump and threw him for a row of pop bottles.

The fired bull stayed down so long that it was feared he was about to take the count. But just as the final curtain was about to ring down he staggered to his feet and charge his tormentor. On seeing this unexpected turn of affairs our hero broke to run, but being tied to the bull he could only run fast enough to keep the rope tight. It seemed to be nip and tuck as to which one would get to the barn first. Part of the time nip was ahead and part of the time tuck.

The audience began to lay bets on the race with odds on the bovine. Just at the critical moment, when it looked like our hero was a sure winner, he stumbled his toe and fell down, cursing the bull to win on a foul. When our hero arose from the ground and clawed the sand out of his eyes, he declared the time just two minutes and sixty seconds.

Some argue that our hero, with a more practice in the gentle art of throwing the bull will be qualified to enter politics and make the race for senator. Skygak.

Mrs. L. E. Boyd was in Dallas on Monday.

Hall's Catarrh Medicine will do what we claim for it—rid your system of Catarrh or Deafness caused by Catarrh.

Sold by druggists for over 40 years
F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio

Dining Out.

This dining out is wonderful;
The French cuisine is grand,
With all its funny foreign names
I never understand.
The food is so elaborate,
It makes me sit and look;
I don't know if it's clean or not—
I never saw the cook.
Tho' everything is fingered o'er,
Nobody cares a whoop;
There's pretty pon-pons everywhere,
And crotons in the soup.
The little dishes round my plate,
Containing this and that,
Unite to shrink my appetite
And keep me nice and fat.
No use to talk, for none can hear
When orchestras play jazz,
Altho the waiter tries his best,
With all the ears he has.
A table d'hote is like a beer,
With dancing as the foam;
But, all the same, I'd rather have
My turkey served at home.

Look Out for the Ladies.

With the women in their swimmin'
Turning records into wrecks;
With the ladies raising hades
In a matter quite complex;
With their biceps getting stronger
Where their strides are getting longer,
In about four generations
Who will be the weaker sex?
When the lassies find their brassies
Have a tendency to vex;
When their crashes and their snarshes
Grow from lighter jabs and pecks;
When they turn to the primeval
In a track and field upheaval—
If they keep on getting better
Who will be the weaker sex?

Do You Know That—

Ceylon's great sport is the hunting of jewels which are often found in the beds of the rivers? Sometimes these streams are dried up for a time and then the rewards are great for the hunter. Government permission must be granted before one may go gem hunting, and having obtained this permission, the hunter is allowed to keep all he finds. To the inexperienced eye, the precious pebble, as it rests on the ground, looks like an ordinary stone, but the expert can detect the valuable ones at once.

Traveling boxes are called trunks because in the days of William the Conqueror boxes for carrying money and valuables were made in a very primitive fashion, the lids being simply half the trunk of a tree hollowed out, hence the name? In an old Kentish church in England there is to be seen such a trunk, which is said

to be the one in which the conqueror kept the money with which he paid his soldiers.

One of the native rulers in India, the Nawab of Rampur, is the possessor of a watch valued at more than ninety thousand dollars? The lower case is cut from a single topaz, the upper from an emerald, and a diamond, ground

very thin, serves for the crystal. The watch shows the seconds, minutes, quarter hours, half hours, hours, days, weeks, months, seasons, years and leap years up to the year 9999.

It is estimated that two years are required for the gulf stream water to travel from Florida to the coast of Norway?



1000 HATS Saturday Only

The Mary Jane Hat Shop will have on display one thousand new mid-summer hats. The entire lot of new hats that have just been received and opened up, will go

AT WHOLESALE PRICES

In these hats you will find some real bargains.

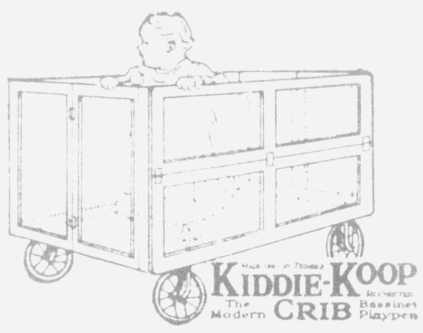
Don't fail to visit this shop on

Saturday, March 28

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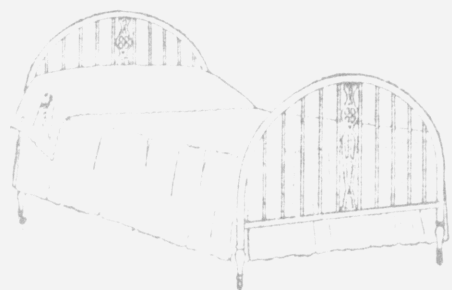
YOU NEED THESE COMFORTS

for the coming Summer, when you dispose of feather beds and arrange for cooler sleeping quarters:



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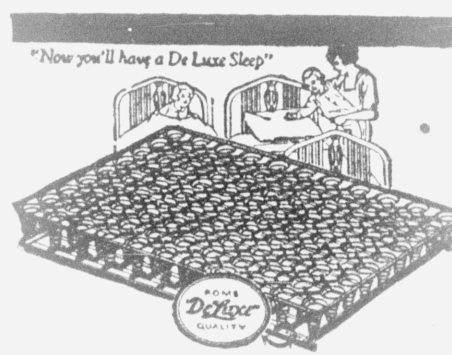


The new Windsor beds in walnut and oak finishes are the newest designs and reasonably priced—will have them in stock soon. See our stock of poster, bow-end and single bds for your sleeping porches.

The Ideal baby buggy—good springs, roomy—and protection from dust and wind makes it easy on the baby and the mother



The famous Dreamland guaranteed mattress gives you the comfort and rest you need to do your tiresome summer work. Try one ten days at our expense.



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The time tested De Luxe spring is the best spring you can buy, and is guaranteed for twenty-five years. Try one and realize what you have been missing.

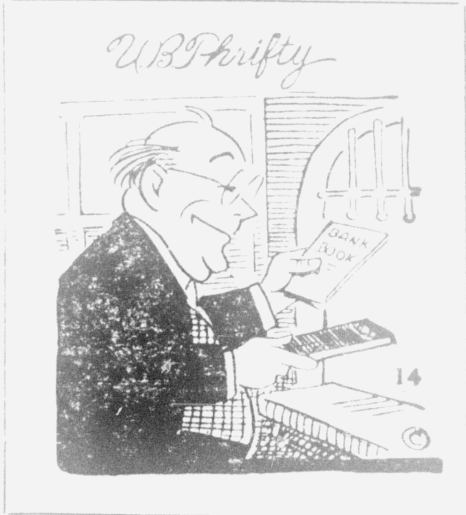
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The price of corn, hogs, wheat, hay or cattle may go up—or down, but the interest on your

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Can you think of a better investment?

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HEFLIN STARTS WORK ON DRUG STORE HERE

Dr. S. A. Heflin is making preparations to open his new drug store in the building recently vacated by the First National Bank when it moved to the new quarters at the southeast corner of the square, and just as soon as the bank's old fixtures are removed work of installing the modern and up-to-date furnishings for the new drug house will begin.

Fixtures for the Heflin store are now on the road, having been specially made in Grand Rapids, Michigan, and when fitted up and opened this new store will be one of the most beautiful seen outside of the larger cities.

Dr. Heflin is a successful business man, and his former home town people say he is a progressive citizen of the best type.

Methodist Church.

We begin a revival Sunday morning, and we earnestly urge every person who is interested in the up-building of our town morally and spiritually to co-operate with us in this great work. If you love God and His kingdom, we ask you to help us. If you are unsaved, we most cordially invite you to attend the services. We are interested in you and desire to help you.

We hope and pray to make this revival not only a blessing to the First Methodist church, but to every church and to the whole community. Mr. L. E. Shackelford of Wesley College, Greenville, will have charge of the song service. We ask for him the hearty co-operation on the part of every singer in town. Let us work and pull together for the glory of God and for the salvation of the unsaved. Come, pray and work for a gracious revival.—Bert B. Hall, pastor.

CLASSIFIED ADVS.

STAR PARASITE REMEDY protects chickens from insects, improves their health, prevents disease and increases egg production, or money back—INGRAM DRUG CO. (81f)

FOR BETTER HORSES. I will have registered Percheron horse and jack, known as Pitts Jack, at old livery stable on West side for season; fee \$6.00; see me—G. C. RAN & SON, Decatur. (11)

BUY YOUR KIBIBON cane seed from a former Wise county boy, raised by himself. Free from smut, well matured; \$2.75 delivered.—FORREST BURTON, Box 171, Canyon, Tex. (15)

FOR SALE. Good set of blacksmith tools. Apply at Morris Filling Station, West Main street. (121f)

FOR SALE. Single comb White Leg horn baby chicks, 15 cents apiece; eggs \$1.00 for 15 or \$6.00 for 100. Have some real dandies, lay winter and summer. Come see them.—MRS. A. H. CLEMENT, Route 8, S. W. phone 165-5, Decatur. (14)

FOR SALE. Dark barred rock eggs from pen that won first prize at the Texas-Oklahoma fair last fall. Roy McDonald's strain; \$2.00 per setting.—BERT B. HALL, Decatur. (14)

S. C. MODEL ANCONA eggs, \$1.00 per 15; also baby chicks, \$12.50 per 100, every one thoroughbred.—W. P. CARR, Route 2, three miles south of Decatur. (13)

S. C. ANCONA eggs, \$1.50 per 15, \$5.00 per 100; mated with cockerels direct from Sheppard. Delivered in Decatur.—RICHARD ROYD, Route 8, Decatur. (14)

FOR SALE. Fifty bushels pure Mebane cottonseed—the best; \$1.25 per bushel.—C. B. Mecaskey, 6 miles north of Decatur, Route 4. (11f)

STANDARD bred Single Comb Rhode Island Red hatching eggs, \$2.00 per 15; \$5.00 per 30; carefully selected; packed in baskets with excelsior and paper; prepaid. Chicks 20c and 25c, from large and vigorous breeding stock, bred for exhibition quality and high egg production. Winners at the poultry and egg shows. Satisfaction guaranteed.—MRS. S. B. PEARSON, Decatur. (13)

COTTON SEED.—I a magnet for the Improved Half and Half seed, grown near Vernon; good as the best; \$1.75 per bushel f.o.b. Decatur; from cotton grown by Jack Orr in Willbarger county; also have Mulek seed at \$1.00 per bushel.—JOHN ORR, Ind. phone, Decatur. (16)

FOR SALE.—Registered Jersey bull calves; price \$15.00 each.—C. CONA-NOUGHER, Decatur. (15)

FOR SALE.—Ford car, Bosch magneto equipped; in good running condition; price \$50.00.—C. P. DODSON. (16)

FOR SALE.—Good second hand Bush & Gerts piano for \$85.00; terms. Box 198, Decatur. (14)

Lions Club Is Working on Projects of Interest

Despite the near-riot created by the wearing of red ties within the confines of the First Methodist church, the Lions Club held another good meeting Wednesday at their noon luncheon. There were eighteen members present of the twenty-one enrolled, which, by the way, makes on average of about ninety for the first meeting of the try for prize in a national attendance contest entered into by the Decatur club. There were three visitors, all of whom made kindly remarks of the organization—Rev. R. E. Bell, Johnny Walker of Dallas, and Attorney M. W. Burch.

J. A. Simmons reported on his investigation of probable repairs which are to be made at a dangerous corner just outside the city limits on the road to Bridgeport. The corner will be fixed soon, arrangements having been made with W. M. Workman for a strip of land for cutting the corner down. It is thought that as soon as the new east and west highway is completed the corner will be eliminated.

More definite plans were gone into for the Easter egg hunt planned under auspices of the Lions Club, and the project will be put over in grand style on Saturday, April 11th, from two to five o'clock in the afternoon. Location of the hunt will be announced later. The plan is to have a large number of eggs laid for the children under fourteen years of age of the entire community to hunt for on this day. More than two thousand eggs will be used in the undertaking.

PARADISE NEWS

Miss Lillian Clark spent last week-end at home.

Miss Bill Sparks of C. I. A. at Denton, spent a few days at home last week.

The Methodists are having a fine meeting at this place.

Jim Dodd and brother, Dick, returned from Waco Sunday.

Miss Edna Burress spent last Sunday with Miss Gus Cook.

Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Cook were shopping in Bridgeport last Saturday.

The large tent show of F. Richards & Son will show at Paradise on next Saturday night, March 28th.

Mr. Dougherty moved last week to Waco, where he will live.

Billy Green, Babe Albritton and Ruth Patterson were shopping last Wednesday in Decatur.

The Baptists Methodists and Christians of Paradise will have a contest for Sunday school attendance on the first Sunday in April.

Joe Randolph's house burned on last Thursday morning. About half of the contents were saved.

Sign at Railroad Tells of Assets of Our City

A newly repainted sign on the railroad right-of-way blazons the fact that Decatur is the largest dairy center in the south, and that the town is the home of Decatur College and other high toned institutions.

The sign was planted there from out the initiative and at the expense of C. P. Dod on enthusiastic and loyal community builder.

Miss Annie Ruth Milligan, who graduated from Baylor University at Waco at the close of the winter term, is at home now with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Milligan.

J. P. TERRELL PLEASD WITH CITY'S ADVANCE

J. Press Terrell was here Saturday and Sunday from his home in Temple. He was enthused at the progress being made in and about his old home town—and improvement could even be noted everywhere one looked, particularly in the dress and deportment of the people which he described as being cheerful and optimistic as compared with a heavy black land cotton county where the people have money but once a year—and that to pay debts previously made.

Bell county made \$5,000 bales of cotton last year, but there is no prosperity after the cotton is gone. Mr. Terrell highly praised our people for taking up dairying and poultry as cash paying farm industries.

LAKE VALLEY NEWS

Ozella Harper spent Monday afternoon with Ena Gray.

Woodrow McFall spent Tuesday night with Alba Dyer.

Mrs. Jewel Rice visited her brother, Elsie Russell, Wednesday.

Mrs. Vennie Harper, Dora Harper, W. J. Rice, Ray Edwards and J. A. Dyer an eldite daughter, Edna, spent Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. T. L. Gray.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Rice are spending a few days with their daughter, Mrs. O. H. Hodsphat of Forestburg.

Ozella Harper went to Wichita Falls Sunday afternoon to visit relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Parmer and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Stevens spent Saturday night and Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Miller.

Carrie Washburn spent Saturday night and Sunday with Ena Gray.

Glenn and Ray Harper spent the week-end with relatives in Wichita Falls.

Alba and Edna Dyer visited their grandparents Monday night.

The Wise County singing convention met with us Sunday. There was quite a large crowd and some real good singing. Among other good leaders we had the Starnes quartet from Jacksonville. All who failed to hear them missed a treat.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Rose of Decatur, spent Saturday night and Sunday with her parents.

Several from here attended church at Union Hill Sunday night.

DAILY STRENGTH

Nature has admirably fitted the body to fight against weakness but there is need for a daily renewal of strength, which comes easiest through nourishment.

Scott's Emulsion

is a practical aid to health and strength. If you are pale, underweight or weak, Scott's is the restorative that builds you up Nature's way—through nourishment.

Scott & Bowne, Bloomfield, N. J.



Drilling Contractor Is Seeking Alvord Leases

Dr. O. P. Ratekins, representing a big oil drilling concern, is contracting for a block of acreage north of Alvord, and it is reported that the sinking of a well will be started in a short time. Geologists who have looked over this acreage have said that a splendid location for a producing well can be made in the block.

About five thousand acres has been taken in the contract by Dr. Ratekins.

Ladies of W. M. U. in Good Circle Meetings

Baptist Woman's Missionary Union met Monday afternoon in the circles as follows:

Circle one with Mrs. J. B. Dement.

Circle two at the Sunday school annex at the church.

Circle three with Mrs. J. V. Patterson.

Circle four with Mrs. Sam Hill.

Circle five with Mrs. D. O. Stone.

Circle six with Mrs. D. F. Davis.

Choir of Frist Baptist Church Is Entertained

Choir of the First Baptist church entertained Friday evening March 20, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Milligan on East Main street.

Several amusing diversion were had and refreshments were served to the following: Messrs. and Misses, Fred Freeman, Joe Rogers, T. J. Mann, Jack Walker, J. V. Patterson, A. L. Gregg, R. L. Hunt and H. P. Black; Misses, Johnny McFarlin, G. S. Blewett, T. J. Lillibay, Miss Francis Roberts.

Mrs. W. T. Payne and children of Paducah, have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Mann and family and Dr. and Mrs. D. H. Payne.

STOP THAT ITCHING

If you suffer from any form of skin diseases such as Itch, Eczema, Tetter or Cracked Hands, Poison Oak, Ring Worm, Old Sores or Sores on Children. We will sell you a Jar of BLUE STAR REMEDY on a guarantee. It will not stain your clothing and has a pleasant odor.

INGRAM DRUG COMPANY, Decatur

EASTER EGG HUNT FOR CHILDREN OF VICINITY

All the children in the world in and about the good town of Decatur are given a hearty invitation to attend the Lions Club big community Easter egg hunt, to be held on Saturday, April 11th, between the hours of two and five o'clock p. m. The place is yet to be announced. Committees to carry out different features of this big happy celebration have been appointed and all arrangements up to now are running smoothly.

The invitation is extended to all children below the age of fourteen in the country and in the town—and if you want to see youngsters in droves of thousands, be present on this anticipated big occasion.

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DALLAS
—If only to spend the day in Dallas, make our large lobby and our spacious parlors your resting place.
170 ROOMS, 60 BATHS
\$1.50 per day and up.
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“The practice of pharmacy is a serious and responsible profession requiring years of training and experience in order that life and health may be properly safeguarded. Consult your registered pharmacist when in need of drugs and medicines and keep in mind the many other articles he sells on which he will appreciate your patronage.”
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NEW CHEVROLET
Display of Closed Models with Beautiful Fisher Bodies

The Chevrolet closed models have new Fisher bodies more beautiful, more sturdy than ever before. They possess new features of construction such as you find only on the finest cars built.
Streamline design with cowl lights and non-rusting airplane metal radiator—finished in beautiful colors of Duco—coupe and sedan have disc wheels and balloon tires—coach has special artillery wheels and balloon tires. You must see these cars to fully appreciate their unusual value. See them at our opening display now being held at our show room!

Touring Car—\$525 30 in. x 3 1/2 in. Tires and Artillery Wheels	Roadster—\$525 30 in. x 13/4 in. Tires and Artillery Wheels	Coupe—\$715 Balloon Tires and Disc Wheels—Standard Equipment	Coach—\$735 Balloon Tires and Special Artillery Wheels—Standard Equipment	Sedan—\$825 Balloon Tires and Disc Wheels—Standard Equipment
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Heiskell's Ointment
That cruel burning inflammation is cooled and soothed by
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At your Druggist, send for a sample.
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Mayor Working Hard to Supply City Water

Mayor J. E. Douglass is dealing with the water shortage of the town to the best of his ability. In one day last week it was necessary for him to make three trips to the lake, where a new well is being drilled to increase the supply.

The mayor is a capable and conscientious officer, and in this time of water shortage he should have the full support and backing of the entire citizenship of the town.

Club Boys Enter Baby Beef Contests at Show

Gregg Gentry, Claud Caraway, Jim Renshaw, Robert and Horace Bennett were the club boys who represented Wise county in the baby beef show at the Fort Worth Fat Stock Show. While these boys didn't get in the prize winning, they were proud of their showing and with the experience of this year they will make it hot for some one next show time.

These boys should be congratulated on the start they have made. They have shown it can be done, and others from this county are joining them for the years to come.

Mrs. T. S. Thomas is in Hematite, Missouri, at the bedside of her sister, who is reported seriously ill.

Paul Ran Wins Prizes on Showing of Lambs

Paul Ran, club boy of Blewett's Chapel, fed out five lambs this last year and has just sold them after showing at the Fat Stock Show in Fort Worth. He won first and champion prizes in the club class and fourth and fifth in the open class, winning a total of \$37.00 in prizes. He sold the prize lamb for twenty cents per pound and the others at fifteen cents, which brought him a total of \$128.00; that with \$6.00 in prizes won at the Wise County Fair, makes a total of \$171.00 made from his five lambs. His feed bill from November 1st to March 6th was \$31.12.

While at the show he bought five good Southdown lambs and says he is going to win again next year, not only in the lamb class but he is also planning to feed out a baby beef.

Co-Operation Is Urged for City Clean-Up Day

Few Decatur citizens will be found who will not unite in the belief that the Decatur clean-up, called for the day of Tuesday, April 7th, should not be carried out in an old-fashioned and thoro manner in the name of the redemption of the town from its present disordered condition.

Let every good citizen join in this good work to remedy the situation.

Boonsville Young Lady Weds Sunday Morning

S. G. Everts of Breckenridge, and Miss Fannie Stewart of Boonsville, were married Sunday morning at the home of the bride's parents in Boonsville. Mr. Everts is a nephew of George Miller, and formerly lived in the Boonsville community. He is now connected with an oil concern in Breckenridge, and by industry and honorable dealings is accumulating some of the world's goods.

Mr. Evert's bride is a charming young lady, and she numbers her friends by the score. She is a member of one of the best and most substantial families in that section.

Messenger joins the happy couple's friends in congratulations.

U MAY HAVE PELLAGRA

If you have nervousness, stomach trouble, swimming in the head, constipation, loss of sleep, loss of weight, brown or rough skin, burning feet or despondency, you may have pellagra. You do not have to have all of these symptoms to have the disease. My free booklet, "The Story of Pellagra," will explain. My theory differs from all others, and is endorsed by health departments and hundreds who have taken the treatment. Write

W. C. Rountree, M. D.
TEXARKANA, TEXAS.

H. Leslie Dies at Home in Allison Community

H. Leslie, age sixty-five years, died at his home in the Allison community Tuesday night, following a long illness. Mr. Leslie was a bachelor, and has two brothers surviving him.

It is reported that the old gentleman left an estate of considerable value, and Jim Ramsey, a substantial farmer, and neighbor of Mr. Leslie, has been appointed administrator of the property.

Declamation of Slidell School Are Interesting

A committee from the chamber of commerce helped the Slidell school folks in their declamation elimination contest at Slidell last Thursday night. County Judge S. M. Ward, County Agent W. M. Love, Professor P. M. Curry and C. P. Dodson delivered brief talks.

A large crowd of the citizens of that community who are interested in their fine little school were present.

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S. A. Lillard Jr. was in Fort Worth Monday.

Stop Night Coughing This Simple Way

People who have persistent, annoying coughing spells at night, and who through loss of valuable sleep are weakening their systems and laying themselves open to dangerous infections, can stop their distressing trouble promptly by a very simple treatment. Hundreds who have hardly been able to rest at all for coughing, have gotten their full night's sleep the very first time they tried it.

The treatment is based on a remarkable prescription known as Dr. King's New Discovery for Coughs. You simply take a teaspoonful at night before retiring and hold it in your throat for 15 or 20 seconds before swallowing it, without following with water. The prescription has a double action. It not only soothes and heals soreness and irritation, but it quickly loosens and removes the phlegm and congestion which are the direct cause of the coughing. The result is that you usually sleep as soundly as a babe the very first night, and the entire cough condition goes in a very short time.

The prescription is highly recommended for coughs, chest colds, hoarseness and bronchitis, and is wonderful for children's coughs and spasmodic croup—no harmful drugs. Economical, too, as the dose is only one teaspoonful. It is on sale at all good druggists. Ask for

DR. KING'S NEW DISCOVERY FOR COUGHS

DON'T FORGET—
the American Legion base ball game, April 9th. Special attractions for the entire day. We expect 5,000 people to witness this game. \$750. worth of premiums to be distributed on this day.

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Our store is chuck full---from bottom to top, with beautiful Spring merchandise of every description. Our piece goods department will be found new silks, canton crepes, crepe-de-chine, flat crepes, kreppe knit, printed crepes, new sport crepes, linens, basket weave suiting, guaranteed fast colored suitings. If you will visit this department you will find everything in dress material that is pleasing to the eye. Why go elsewhere when you can buy what you want here at home and at a big saving in price also. Visit our store and see for yourself.

DON'T FORGET—
the Interscholastic School Meet, Friday and Saturday, the 27th and 28th. We want every man, child and lady to visit our store. A hearty welcome awaits you here.

BOY'S TWO-PANT SCHOOL SUITS



These suits are light tan and light greys. Every suit has two pair of pants. Ages 8 to 17. See them before you buy. Priced \$4.95 to \$12.45

MILLINERY FOR SPRING

200 HATS

—For sport and tailored wear; felts, straws; last minute styles. Priced at \$2.95 up to \$10.00.

DRESS SPECIAL FOR SATURDAY AND MONDAY

—Five dozen Happy Home and Virginia Hart house dresses. Saturday and Monday—\$1.23.

Regular size—36 to 44.
Stout size—46 to 54.

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AND WE MEAN JUST THAT

—Special for Saturday and Monday, 25 new Spring Dresses—\$7.45.

Stetson Hats
\$7.00 to \$20.00

Men's Suits
\$14.95 to \$39.95

DON'T FORGET—
Decatur's Clean-Up Day
APRIL 7th.

Men's Dress Shoes
\$3.95 to \$9.95

Ladies Fine Footwear
\$2.95, up to \$7.95

SATURDAY IS CHILDREN'S DAY IN OUR CHILDREN'S SHOE DEPARTMENT

A new stock of children's slippers just received—\$1.75 up to \$4.95.

Children's tennis slippers; just the thing for the track meet—\$1.00 pair.

SEE OUR WINDOW

EXTRA SPECIAL

100 pair of ladies' one and two-strap pumps and oxfords. Values up to \$5.00; sale price \$2.95.

EXTRA SPECIAL

Men's and ladies' tennis shoes; sizes 3 to 6 and 6 to 10. Sale price \$1.00 pr. Just the thing for the league meet.

EXTRA SPECIAL

For these three days—36-inch curtain serim; white and ecru. Only 15c yd.

EXTRA SPECIAL

100 Happy Home Dresses and Virginia Hart house dresses. Values to \$1.98; special Friday, Saturday and Monday—only \$1.23.

HOSIERY SPECIAL

FOR FRIDAY, SATURDAY AND MONDAY

—Special purchase of 30 dozen pure thread silk hose; in all new shades. Regular \$1.00 values these three days for only—69c.

RIEGER BROS. DRY GOODS STORE

LONE MOUND NEWS

Farmers of this community are up with their work and are needing rain.

Sunday was our regular meeting day. Several from Decatur attended the services Sunday morning.

Brother McClung preached at the morning service and Brother Bailey at night at our church.

Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Cearley and children of Graham, are here this week for her health. She received serious burns several weeks ago.

Mrs. Wesley Binion and little daughter are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Binion this week.

Mrs. Johnnie Bufford of Dallas, was visiting her mother, Mrs. J. C. Ray, last week.

J. P. Davis of Graham, has come down this week to live with his grand-mother, Mrs. J. C. Ray.

Troya Peyton visited Willie Claburn Sunday.

Rev. Gus Elrod and family of Decatur, visited her mother, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Bowman.

Maggie Hodges spent Sunday with Rena Javenport.

Mr. Stokes and family of Pella, visited their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John Gilbert Sunday.

Miss Bonnie Lee King was a dinner guest of Miss Odessa Parks Sunday.

Virgil Claburn and family visited Earl Robison Sunday.

LONE STAR NEWS

Mr. We are all surely needing rain.

Mrs. Minnie Wallace is on the sick list this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Adams spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Mack Thomas.

Miss Gladys Leslie took dinner with Miss Beulah Wallace Saturday.

Mrs. Will Hobbs of Wichita Falls, is visiting her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Will Mowery, this week.

There was a pie supper at this place last Wednesday night, a week ago, and a good crowd was present. All reported a good time. Net proceeds were over \$50.00.

Notice of Appointment.

The state of Texas. To the sheriff or any constable of Wise county, greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for a period of ten days before the return day hereof, in a newspaper of general circulation, which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year in said Wise county, a copy of the following notice:

The state of Texas. To all persons interested in the welfare of the estate of H. Leslie, deceased, J. T. Ramsey was by the county court of Wise county, Texas, on the 25th day of March, A. D. 1925, duly appointed temporary administrator of the estate of said deceased, which appointment will be more permanent should the court be of the opinion that a permanent administrator is necessary, unless the same shall be successfully contested at the next term of said court commencing on the first Monday in April, A. D. 1925, the same being the 6th day of April, A. D. 1925, at the court house thereof, in Decatur, Texas, at which time all persons interested in the welfare of the estate of said deceased may appear and contest such appointment, if they so desire.

Herein fail not, but have you before said court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, at office in Decatur, Texas, this the 25th day of March, A. D. 1925. MRS. RUTH BELLW, Clerk, County Court, Wise County, Texas. G. S. Blount, deputy. (Mar 27 Apr 3)

“Indigestion Affects Heart,” Says Doctor

Gas, from spoiled, fermented food in the stomach, presses against the diaphragm, putting great strain on the heart and lungs. Older persons are often unable to stand this strain and sudden death results. Most of these sudden deaths are caused by acute indigestion and could be prevented.

A physician discovered a preparation known as FERRASAL, which neutralizes the excess acid in the stomach, keeps the food sweet and free and prevents gas from forming. It also keeps the alimentary tract clean and deodorized, the kidneys regular, and is absolutely harmless. It proved successful with hundreds of his patients, and now FERRASAL can be purchased at your druggist's.

Take FERRASAL night and morning for a month. Your stomach will be free from gas, your tongue clear and your breath sweet, or your money refunded.

“Could Hardly Breathe.”

“I had enlarged heart and high blood pressure and was unable to do any work for five months. Gas, forming on my stomach, pressed against my heart and lungs so I could hardly breathe. The first box of FERRASAL stopped gas from forming and gave me great relief. I continue to take it and am back at my work and in fine health.—A. L. Paul,” 3994 Swiss Avenue, Dallas, Texas.—3



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THE ACID NEUTRALIZER
STOPS INDIGESTION NOW!

50c at INGRAM DRUG COMPANY

NEW SALEM NEWS

Miss Esther Lamar spent the week-end with relatives in Muenster.

Chester and Charlie Hyde spent last Sunday with relatives in Paradise.

A large crowd attended singing at New Salem Sunday afternoon.

Misses Gladys and Flora Martin of Deep Creek, are visiting their cousin, Miss Bertha White.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Kerney of Decatur, spent Sunday with Bert White.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Daggett were in Krum Sunday.

Miss Opal Ewing of Paradise, spent Sunday with Miss Marge Porter.

Our school has been unexpectedly shortened two weeks from the lack of school funds.

Mr. and Mrs. Dee Freeman spent Sunday with H. C. Van.

Misses Dyora Crowder, Vera and Pauline Van and Bertha White attended church at Paradise last Wednesday night.

SLIDELL NEWS

A large number of Slidell people attended the school picnic and field day at Leo last Saturday.

Rev. R. L. Patton was called to the bedside of his father the latter part of last week and was unable to fill his regular appointment at the Methodist church Sunday.

Miss Sadie Ball of the N. T. S. T. C. at Denton, accompanied Miss Evelyn Pruett home last week-end.

A. C. Acker was in Dallas Saturday buying his new spring goods.

Misses Jimmie and Jessie Maude Roberts of Grand Prairie, were guests over Sunday of Edna and Melba Bottrell.

The play, “As a Woman Thinketh,” was presented Saturday night to a full house. The proceeds of the entertainment amounted to \$70.00, and will be used in publishing the school's annual, The Lariat.

Hazel Studdfield had her arm broken last week when she attempted to crank a Ford car.

Good material is available and it is expected that a fast team will be developed.

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One-Quarter of Other Fuel Cost

Unless one has had experience with manufactured gas, he is likely not to realize all the advantages of the splendid supply of natural gas given the people of Texas.

Foremost, of course, is the matter of price. Manufactured gas is usually made of coal, and the price of it must be based on the price of gas-making coal. In Texas this price would have to be about double the price of natural gas, in the larger places, and almost prohibitive in the smaller towns.

It has not been found practical to transport manufactured gas any considerable distance, so it is not likely many of the smaller places could be supplied with it at all.

Next, and of almost equal importance, is the much greater value of the same volume of natural gas for heating purposes. Manufactured gas usually contains about half the heating units of natural gas per cubic foot. While people use the manufactured article much more carefully because of its higher price, the same careful use of natural gas would make it cost only about one-quarter of the price of manufactured gas at the present figures.

Surely such a cheap and well served commodity is worthy of your careful conservation.



LONE STAR GAS CO.

NEWARK NEWS

Miss Della Brock spent the week-end in Fort Worth.

Victor Eastleg and Payton Richie of Fort Worth, were here.

Foy Yancy of Saginaw, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Yancey.

Misses Ruth Lovell and Lucille Boswell of Saginaw, and Miss Mattie V. Lary of Fort Worth, were here Friday.

Miss Hettie Richie of Fort Worth, visited friends here over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Kent of Fort Worth, are spending the week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Doughtey.

Mrs. McCurdie and daughter, Miss Bess, and son, Aubrey, were in Fort Worth Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Doughtey of Dallas, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Doughtey.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Anglin of Fort Worth, visited his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Anglin.

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Notice of Election.

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held in the city of Decatur, Texas, on the first Tuesday in April, the same being the 7th day of said month, 1925, at the court house in the corporate limits of the city of Decatur, Texas, for the purpose of electing a mayor and three aldermen, one for Ward No. 1, one for Ward No. 2 and one for Ward No. 3, the terms of the present aldermen in said wards having expired on said date of election. All persons who are legally qualified voters of the city of Decatur, Texas, shall be entitled to vote at said election.

Said election was ordered by the City Council of the city of Decatur, Texas, by laws and ordinances governing ordering of such elections.—J. E. Douglass, Mayor of the City of Decatur, Texas. (Mar 13-27)

AURORA NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Shade Slimp and Misses Audrey and Ruby Slimp went to Fort Worth Tuesday, shopping.

Ottie Gates of Fort Worth, spent Sunday with W. E. Willis and family.

Miss Edith Stroud spent Sunday night with Miss Myrtle Simmons.

Rev. Binion preached a splendid sermon here Sunday afternoon.

Ezra Simmons was in Fort Worth Thursday on business.

P. T. Gribble spent the week-end in Fort Worth with his family.

Miss Edna Brown, who is attending business college in Wichita Falls, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Brown and daughters, Edna, Emma, Christine and Alberta, were in Fort Worth Monday, shopping.

Miss Ethel Utley of Boyd, spent the day Sunday with Jennie Bell and Myrtle Simmons.

WHITE HILL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. M. Magness, Mr. and Mrs. Chertus Mullins and Mrs. Jim Cobb have been visiting relatives at Wichita Falls.

Odie Washburn left Sunday for Fort Worth, where he is taking a barber's course.

Miss Essie Washburn returned home Sunday from Rush Creek, where she has been visiting friends.

Miss Thelma Swain has been real sick, but is some better at this writing.

A singing was enjoyed by the young people in the home of D. D. House Sunday night.

Clifford Cobb left Tuesday for a stay in Wichita Falls.

Miss Lois Lancaster spent Thursday night with Miss Essie Washburn.

There was a basketball game at the White Hill school house Friday afternoon between the Nickelsville boys and White Hill boys. The score was 8 to 8.

Mrs. Fred Swain of Wichita Falls, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Swain.

Miss Maurine White, principal at White Hill school, spent the week-end with her parents in Alvord.

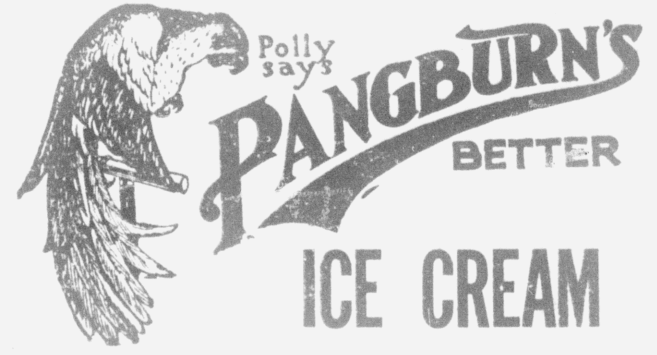
Lee Washburn and family attended the singing convention at Lake Valley Sunday.

Miss Carrie Washburn spent Saturday night with Miss Ena Gray of Lake Valley.

Everybody remember there will be singing next Sunday afternoon at Union Hill. Everyone come and bring some one with you.

Rev. G. W. Tyson preached at the Baptist church Sunday morning and Sunday night.

Miss Eva Jane Lancaster is very ill with the flu.



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—There comes a time in the life of nearly every prosperous institution when the need is felt for larger and better quarters if the public is to be served as efficiently as it deserves to be.

—This same need has been felt by the First National Bank the last few years. In accordance with the policy that the officials of this bank seek to carry out, plans were at once formulated to give the people of this community, the recognition to which they are entitled in their banking connections.

—Our new building is ready for occupancy and you are invited to come in and inspect it. See our elaborate fixtures, and our commodious vault.

—The trend of the people, we know, will be more than ever toward, “Make Our Bank Your Bank.”

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